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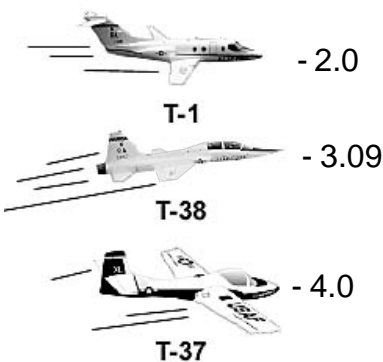
*The Wing's fourth quarter award winners are featured...*

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### Mission status

(As of Jan. 16)

Days ahead(+) or behind(-)



### Fiscal Year 2001 statistics

--Sorties flown: 17,186  
--Hours flown: 25,653.6  
--Pilot wings earned in FY 01: 72  
--Wings earned since 1963: 11,780

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## Tops in Blue performs in Del Rio Feb. 8

By Jim Teet

Public affairs

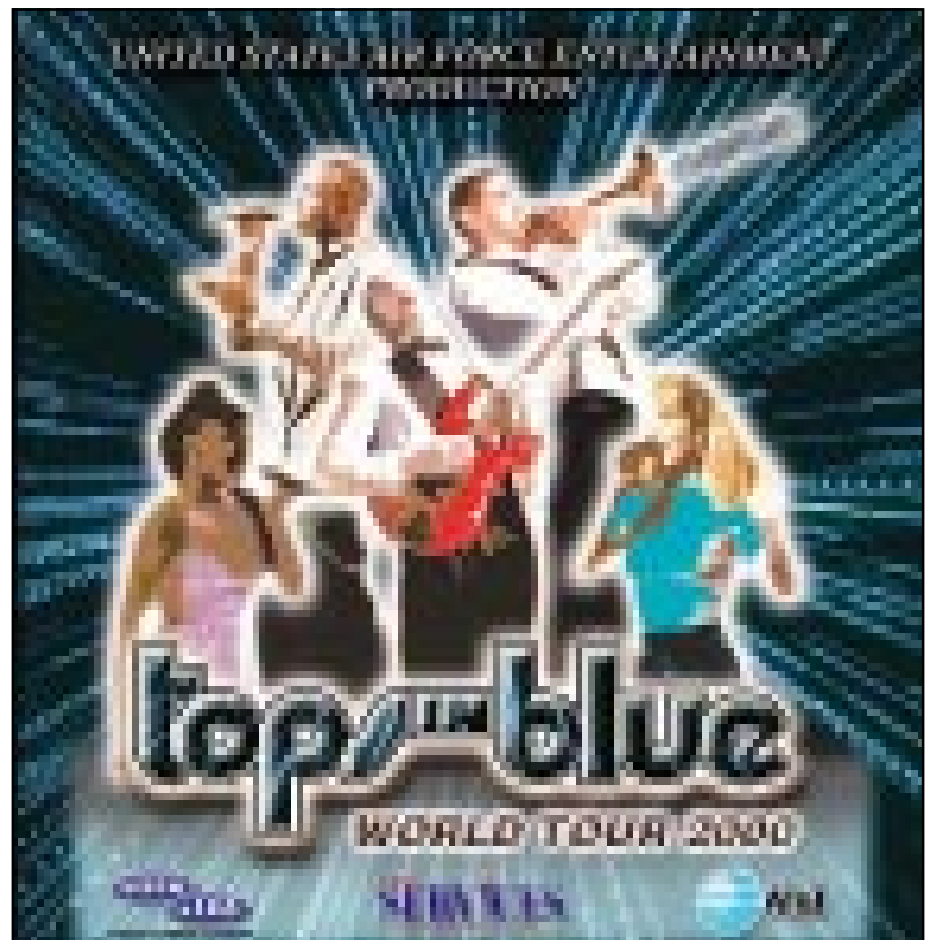
**T**ops in Blue 2000 will showcase 30 talented Air Force entertainers at Paul Poag Theatre in Del Rio during one evening performance Feb. 8.

The 7:30 p.m. performance is open to the public. Doors will open to military identification cardholders at 6:30 p.m. and to the general public at 7 p.m. Air Force buses will provide transportation to and from Laughlin for the performance.

The ensemble comprises vocalists, dancers and musicians who perform 90 minutes of professional quality, non-stop family entertainment for Air Force and public audiences. The cast is concluding its performance tour of more than 130 locations in the U.S. and more than 20 countries.

Tops in Blue cast members are chosen from enlisted members and officers competing at the Air Force

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## Laughlin couple selected for AF Intern Program

By 2nd Lt. Kris Wood

Public affairs

**T**wo captains here, who also are husband and wife, join 48 other captains Air Force-wide selected to participate in the Air Force Intern Program.

Capt. Fred Cunningham, 47th Operations Support Squadron and his wife, Capt. Melissa Cunningham, 47 FTW executive officer, were selected from 352 applicants. Applicants for the highly competitive program must be captains with less than three years time in grade. "We are both extremely excited about being selected for the Air Force Intern Program," said Capt. Melissa Cunningham. "It's an amazing opportunity and it's almost unbelievable that we would both be selected by the same board."

Beginning June 15, the new interns will report to the

Pentagon and begin the 13-month training program. Now in its seventh year, AFIP provides a select group of young captains the opportunity to sharpen their leadership skills and gain hands-on experience interacting with other organizations and branches of the service.

AFIP starts with a one-month orientation focusing on how the Air Force interacts with agencies such as the Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Council and the Department of State. Following the orientation, participants will attend graduate classes at George Washington University. Each intern also will perform two six-month rotations within the Air Staff, the

Air Force Secretariat, the Joint Staff or Office of the Secretary of Defense. According to Major Richard Young, chief of the AFIP and Professional Military Education Outplacement

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■ The new interns will report to the Pentagon June 15 to begin the 13-month training program.

# Commanders' Corner

## 'Service before self' is core value for a very good reason

By Lt. Col. Bill Hogan

85th Flying Training Squadron

One night a man had a dream, wherein an angel visited him. The angel said, "To night, I will show you both heaven and hell." Instantly, he was whisked away to a banquet hall, with a table set for a feast.

All manner of sumptuous food was stacked high on a large table with six chairs surrounding it. The only thing missing was the silverware, but he noticed a simple spoon with a six-foot handle atop the table. "Surely this is heaven," thought the man, anticipating the feast to come.

A bell rang and six people entered the room, seating themselves at the table. The angel explained the rules for dinner. They would have 30 minutes to eat their fill. However, they could only eat with the spoon, and they could only touch the spoon at the end of the six-foot handle.

As the feast began, the group quickly figured out they would have to take turns using the spoon. The first diner tried to get the food to his mouth,

but the length of the handle made it impossible to use. Frustrated and impatient, the second diner seized the spoon only to meet with the same frustrations. By now the other diners were getting extremely hungry and impatient.

After five minutes, the frustration level was maddening. Several diners began to become visibly upset, voices raised and tempers flared. Before long, the diners were up out of their chairs, physically fighting for control of the spoon. They scratched, kicked and clawed each other, desperately trying to get their fair share of the banquet feast. But the harder they tried, the more desperate they became, until eventually an all-out brawl ensued.

In no time, the bell rang again, signaling an end to the 30-minute period. Those who could walk turned to leave the room.

The dreamer was terribly upset. These people had everything they could have desired within arm's reach! What had happened? "Watch and learn," said the angel as he turned the dreamer to face yet another banquet table in a different room.

This table was markedly different. There were still six chairs, but there were only meager portions of some rather plain looking food, nothing like the gourmet feast he had just seen prepared. And there, atop the table, was the six-foot spoon.

"I cannot bear to watch again!" cried the man. The bell rang again, and six new diners filtered in to their seats. Again, the angel explained the rules.

Thirty minutes and a six-foot spoon awaited them. The man could barely watch, but it soon became evident that this time would be different.

This time, one person picked up the spoon and fed the person across from them, then passed it on. Each person at the table took a turn feeding others. They all had their fill with time to spare.

"What have you learned?" asked the angel. Then, the man awoke, reflecting on what he'd learned:

■ Those who are only out for themselves will eventually reap the "rewards" of their self-absorption, (or as Confucius would say, "he who wrapped up in self make small package!").

■ Self-service will likely lead to chaos in short order.

■ Circumstances don't necessarily determine your

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*"I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have found how to serve."*

-Albert Schweitzer

## AETC commander says future is bright for first command



By Gen. Hal Hornburg

AETC commander

Air Education and Training Command had a very challenging, yet successful year in 2000 and the fu-

ture appears even brighter in 2001.

The start of a new year marks a fitting time to take stock of where we are and where we want to go in the days ahead. Some of the milestones for AETC in the past year included a number of remarkable successes.

Our recruiters exceeded the goal

of adding 34,000 new enlisted airmen to the force. It won't be any easier this year, but I'm confident we're on the right track with the new recruiter selection process that will put more of our very best airmen into recruiting offices around our nation.

You can help the recruiting effort

by sharing experiences and with those you meet every day.

We're also working hard to synchronize recruiting efforts to ensure we have the right quality, quantity and career field mix entering training at the right time.

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Col. Jack Egginton  
Commander  
Capt. Angela O'Connell  
Public affairs officer  
Airman 1st Class Brad Pettit  
Editor

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*"Excellence – not our goal, but our standard."*

– 47 FTW motto

# Laughlin recognizes quarterly award winners



**Master Sgt. James Moon**  
47th Flying Training Wing  
*Senior NCO*



**Tech. Sgt. Chris Trujillo**  
47th Contracting  
Squadron  
*NCO*



**Senior Airman  
Monique Carpenter**  
47th Operations Support  
Squadron  
*Airman*



**Capt. Scott Cotoia**  
85th Flying Training  
Squadron  
*Instructor pilot*



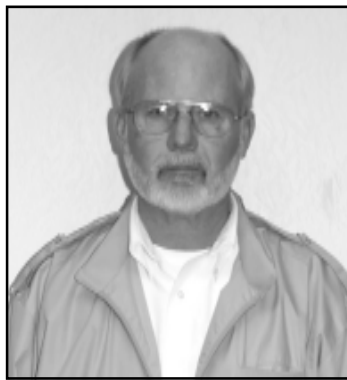
**Heidi Poteat**  
47th Comptroller Flight  
*Volunteer*



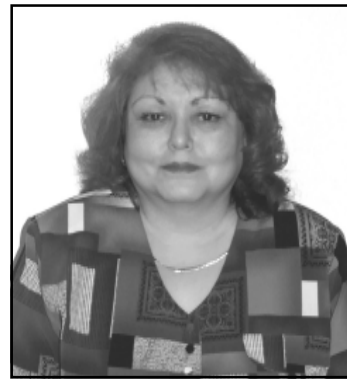
**Juan Gonzalez**  
47 OPS GP  
*Civilian Category I*



**Patricio Rodriguez**  
47 MDSS  
*Civilian Category II*



**Neal Mihelich**  
47 OPS GP  
*Civilian Category III*



**Olga Brown**  
47 SPTG  
*NAF Category II*

Fourth quarter award  
winners not pictured are:

**Capt. Joseph Musacchia**  
Company Grade Officer  
47th Security Forces  
Squadron

**Senior Airman Leslie  
Puckett-Werlinger**  
Honor Guard  
47th Aeromedical Dental  
Squadron

## Actionline

Call 298-5351

personal reply. It's also very useful in case more information is needed in order to pursue your inquiry. If you give your name, we will make every attempt to ensure confidentiality when appropriate.

If your question relates to the general interest of the people of Laughlin, the question and answer may also be printed in the Border Eagle. Before you call the Actionline, please try to work the problem out through the normal chain of command or directly with the base agency involved.

Thanks for your cooperation and I look forward to reading some quality ideas and suggestions.

This column is one way to work through problems that haven't been solved through normal channels. By leaving your name and phone number, you are assured of a timely personal reply.



**Col. Jack Egginton**  
47 FTW commander

AAFES	298-3176
Accounting and Finance	298-5204
Civil Engineer	298-5252
Civilian Personnel	298-5299
Commissary	298-5815
Dormitory manager	298-5213
Hospital	298-6311
Housing	298-5904
Inspector General	298-5638
Legal	298-5172
Military Personnel	298-5073
Public Affairs	298-5988
Security Forces	298-5900
Services	298-5810
Equal Opportunity	298-5400
FWA hotline	298-4170

**C**all: I am a dependent of a student lieutenant and my question regards the base recycling program. According to the housing brochure, all plastics will be picked up, and I assume the ones that have the recycling emblem on the plastics. When I put my recycling on the curb recently, it came back with some recyclable

plastics still in the can. I asked the recycling workers why some plastics are not accepted while others are, and I did not receive a good answer. Why can't all recyclables be collected and recycled?

**R**esponse: Even though a plastic may be a PET 1 or a HDPE 2, odd or irregular shaped plastics are

not accepted by the Texas Recycling Association due to the way they were made. These include microwave dinner plates, laundry detergent scoops, etc. Vista Fibers San Antonio plant takes our plastics ([www.vistafibers.com](http://www.vistafibers.com)) and provided the following rules of thumb when deciding which plastics they will accept.

- Opening must be smaller than the bottom.
- HDPE 2 must have a seam at bottom.
- No HDPE 2's with a button are taken.
- PET 1 must have a button at bottom.
- No PET 1's are taken with seams.





## From the Blotter (Dec. 29-Jan. 1)



■ An individual reported a former employee had allegedly stolen 305 feet of copper pipe from his contract work site and sold the metal pipes as scrap. An investigation is in progress.

■ An individual reported a minor accident in the parking lot adjacent to Building 50/Hangar 1. Investigation revealed an individual was backing out of a parking spot and hit another vehicle. Damage consisted of the left rear bumper shifting to the right side with paint missing on the bottom left side bumper.

■ An individual reported her husband at a Club in Del Rio physically assaulted her. An investigation is in progress.

■ Three individuals were assisted in gaining access to their vehicles. Security Forces gained access without any damage to the vehicles.

■ There were five alarm activations received. Security Forces' immediate response

determined all locations were secure.

■ A patrolman found the north hangar door to Building 50/Hangar 1 unsecure. During an interior check the Patrolman noticed the slide bolt on the inside of the north hangar door was bent, and the welded chain to the bolt had been broken off. The area was declared safe and the custodian took charge of the facility.

**Tip of the day:** Please remember to lock up your valuables at all times. Most thefts are crimes of opportunity, remove the temptation and you will not become a statistic.

All personnel must carry proof of insurance, current registration and inspection documentation (stickers) in their vehicles at all times.

You may lose your base driving privileges if you are stopped and do not have these documents.

## Chapel Schedule

### Catholic

-Saturday Vigil Mass  
5 p.m.

-Sunday Mass 9:30  
a.m.

-Confession by ap-  
pointment.

-Choir 6 p.m. Thurs-  
days.

-CCD 11 a.m., Religious  
Education Building.

-Little Rock Scripture  
Study 11 a.m. Sunday in  
Chapel Fellowship Hall.

### Jewish

Max Stool, call 775-4519.

### Muslim

Dr. Mostafa Salama, call  
768-9200.

### Protestant

-General worship 11  
a.m.

- Women's Bible  
Study, 12:30-2:15 p.m.  
Wednesday at Chapel.

Student Wives Fellow-  
ship 7-9 p.m. Monday;  
call 298-7365.

-Sunday school, 9:30  
a.m. at the Religious  
Education Bldg.

-Choir, 7 p.m. Wednes-  
day at Chapel

### Chapel Youth Group

-Sunday, 5 p.m. Chapel  
Fellowship Hall

## Chapel staff

### Chaplains

Maj. C. Jeffery Swanson  
Maj. Frank Hamilton  
Capt. Larry Bailey  
Capt. Richard Black

### Chaplains' Assistants

Tech Sgt. Donald Williams  
Senior Airman Diana Beauvais  
Airman 1st Class  
Christina Deutsch

*"God loves you and we do too."  
For more information on chapel events and  
services, call 5111.*



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Friday, your newspaper. Wednesday, this newspaper.



### 'TIB,' from page 1

Worldwide Talent Contest each year. The team then undergoes 45 days of training at Lackland Air Force Base to prepare a world-class entertainment program and take it on the road for a nine-month tour.

Cast members must master the entire staging process in addition to the instrumental, vocal and choreography arrangements for the production. A technical staff of five people helps the cast set up, break down and transport more than 34,000 pounds of staging and technical equipment used for each per-

formance.

Tops in Blue has a distinctive 47-year history of performing in films, producing albums and appearing on national television. The cast provided the halftime show for Super Bowl XIX, and has toured throughout Europe, the Far East, Middle East, Central America and

Canada, in addition to all 50 states.

Tops in Blue is produced by the entertainment branch of Headquarters Air Force Services Agency in San Antonio. The performance tour is cosponsored by AT&T and USPA&IRA. No federal endorsement of these sponsors is intended.

### 'AFIP,' from page 1

at Air Force Personnel Center, this portion of the program serves "to expand the functional knowledge and experience of these young officers. One six-month rotation will be in an area related to the intern's primary career field and the other will be in an unrelated area to broaden their experience."

Upon completion of AFIP, the Cunninghams will return to their career fields to implement their education and capitalize on their experiences. "It is a bittersweet time," said Capt. Melissa Cunningham. "We have really enjoyed being involved in the Del Rio community. We believe God has a plan so, as hard as it is to leave, we must move on to the next challenge."

"Col. (Jack) Egginton, (47 FTW wing commander), and I know the Cunninghams and they are both fine representatives of Laughlin's talent," said Col. Herb Foret, 47 FTW vice commander. "They will both represent our command very well and benefit greatly from the tutelage and mentorship of such an opportunity."

### 'Values,' from page 2

happiness.

■ Those who practice service above self and teamwork will be sustained and satisfied even under meager circumstances.

As I see it, self-service is a sure road to destruction, both for you and your organization. On the other hand, service above self (especially as a organizational culture) can enable one to flourish and grow, even under grim conditions.

In light of today's operation tempos and worldwide commitments, it is no wonder the Air Force has declared it one of our core values. Now it's up to us to make the theory a reality.

How about we make a New Year's resolution to ask ourselves each day, "How can I serve today?" After all, at which table would you prefer to dine?

# Filler

## Question of the week

### How did Desert Storm affect you 10 years ago?



“Serving in Desert Storm changed my whole outlook on life.”

**Lt. Col.**  
**Thomas W. Kline**  
*96th Flying Training Squadron*



“The hardest thing I had to do was to hug my wife and then turn around and leave for war. The experience gave me a greater appreciation for the demands of jointness.”

**Maj.**  
**George Fenimore**  
*96 FTS*



“All the training I did during the first 10 years of my career really paid off for me during some very crucial moments.”

**Maj.**  
**Mark Schuessler**  
*47th Operations Support Squadron*



“The Desert Storm experience for me was simply a matter of duty. My commander-in-chief said I had a job to do and I just did it, and that gave me a lot of satisfaction to defend my country honorably.”

**Capt. John Stipo**  
*96 FTS*

# Members of SUPT Class 01-04 transition



**2nd Lt. Matthew Steven Jones**  
**Class Leader**  
E-3 Tinker AFB Okla.



**2nd Lt. Geoffrey S. Fukumoto**  
**Assistant Class Leader**  
F-15C Tyndall AFB, Fla.



**1st Lt. Alex HC Chan**  
F-5 Singapore



**2nd Lt. Mathew Gordon Brown**  
MC-130P Eglin AFB, Fla.



**2nd Lt. Elisabeth Marie Burink**  
C-17 McChord AFB, Wash. (AFRES)



**2nd Lt. Monique Lizbeth Farness**  
KC-135 Fairchild AFB, Wash.



**2nd Lt. Mike D. Gommel**  
B-1B Dyess AFB, Texas



**2nd Lt. Jason Robert Greenleaf**  
C-21 Ramstein AB, Germany



**2nd Lt. Kari Anne Hamilton**  
KC-10 McGuire AFB, N.J.



**2nd Lt. Steven M. Hertenstein**  
C-5 Travis AFB, Calif.



# students to pilots in ceremony at OTC today



**2nd Lt. Kale Lynn Jeffery**  
C-9 Scott AFB, Ill (AFRES)



**2nd Lt. Blake Prescott Johnson**  
T-1 Laughlin AFB, Texas



**2nd Lt. Samuel K. Joplin**  
T-37 Laughlin AFB, Texas



**2nd Lt. Karl Frederick Meyer**  
KC-10 McGuire AFB, N.J.



**2nd Lt. Jason E. O'Brien**  
T-38 Laughlin AFB, Texas



**2nd Lt. Justin Henry Philip Paultier**  
KC-135 McConnell AFB, Kan.



**2nd Lt. Todd D. Pierce**  
F-16 Des Moines, Iowa (ANG)



**2nd Lt. Chad A. Smith**  
C-17 Charleston AFB, S.C.



**2nd Lt. Aaron Alan Wirtz**  
KC-135 Grand Forks AFB, N.D.

**1st Lt. Felix Sng**  
F-5 Singapore

**2nd Lt. Matthew B. Frazier**  
F-16 Fresno, Calif. (ANG)

# 10 years after 'the Storm

## Memories from the Gulf War

Wednesday marked the 10th anniversary of the Gulf War in which a U.S.-led coalition fought for the liberation of Kuwait from Iraq.

There are several veterans of this conflict here at Laughlin. Many have shared memorabilia and memories with the Public Affairs staff. Here are a few:

Almost 2/3 of our crews departed, with orders for 180 days. I didn't see most of them until the following March.

My turn to serve came after the initial campaign. I was part of the team which created an 'air bridge', to air-refuel aircraft leaving the AOR back to the United States. This was called "Desert Calm" following "Desert Storm." In April 1991, I was sent to a tent city in Cairo, Egypt. There were literally about 100 tents set up on the tarmac of the runway, which we referred to as Cairo West. The nickname of tent city was "Camellot." I was there about 6 weeks as an assistant deputy for operations. I shared 12-hour shifts with other staffers as we planned and launched crews. Each tent held eight people, and they did have air conditioning. There was dust everywhere (this was Egypt, after all), and we never really felt clean.

**Lt. Col. Daniel Harrier**  
47th Operations Group



A camel herder gets water from an airmen.



An Iraqi tank was destroyed by U.S. coalition forces.

He offered his hand, looked me straight in the eye, and said, "Thank you, Air Force. You did it!" He clasped my hand with both of his while a broad grin grew across his face. All my life—up to then and ever since—I have felt no greater sincerity or gratitude in a handshake.

Why had (B)Gen. Hendrix sought me out? What lay behind his deep display of appreciation? Of the 23,000 soldiers under his operational control, only 2 died in combat. The Army flag officer recognized how airpower had prepared his battlefield and allowed his Armored Division, "Old Ironsides," to slice through and complete the destruction of the Madinah, Hammurabi and Adnan divisions of the elite Republican Guards.

**Maj. George W. Fenimore**  
96th Flying Training Squadron





Sgt. Duane Kirk (now a technical sergeant with the 47th Medical Group) completes reenlistment paperwork, following the oath of enlistment administered by Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf.

Living with the Army in the desert was a new experience. On a good day we were provided two hot meals, but sometimes an MRE was a better option. A few times we had chili for breakfast. I lived in a small tent, moved frequently and was constantly dirty. Once we camped in a wadi, and after it rained all day, a flash flood came through the middle of our camp.

During the fighting, we were part of the "left end around" to cut off the Republican Guards. I became concerned as we were crossing the Iraqi border and some of our troops were wounded. Later I learned that they had stopped to relieve themselves and they threw rocks at an unexploded ordnance. Good shot; bad judgment. It exploded.

The third day I learned of several Iraqi armored vehicles ahead of us. I coordinated for close air support and 10 aircraft (A-10s and F-16s) hit the target area claiming 24 tank kills.

**Maj. Jack Lyda**  
87th Flying Training Squadron

On the evening before the war began, my commander called all of us enlisted troops together for a "talk." He told us to make sure we all had our chemical gear and auto injectors in order because he didn't want to write letters home to our loved ones, and he didn't want to send us home in body bags. That was a strong dose of reality.

One of my co-workers told me that he knew when the war was about to begin. Some of our pilots were in life support putting on their flying gear. The atmosphere was not the same and the pilots were kind of quiet. Before they left to fly they shook hands with one another. They never do that.

**Tech. Sgt. April Ferraro**  
47th Mission Support Squadron



Captain Jack Lyda (now a major with the 87th Flying Training Squadron) is reunited with his family after returning from a tour in the Persian Gulf.



Remains of a military facility



**Name:** Capt. Kale “Cabbage” Mosley.

**Class/Date of graduation from Laughlin:** Class 00-03/00-04, Jan. 21, 2000.

**Aircraft you now fly and base you are stationed at:**

KC-135R, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho.

**Mission of your aircraft?** Gas station at 25,000 feet.

**What do you like most about your current aircraft?** Lots of thrust for a heavy. Lots of it.

**What do you dislike most about your current aircraft?** There aren’t any

KC-135 bases in Texas.

**What was the most important thing you learned at Laughlin besides learning to fly?** I learned that the friends you make along the

way are what really matter.

**What is your most memorable experience from Laughlin?**

Fishing at Amistad Lake with my friends and camping in Seminole Canyon with my classmates.

**What advice would you give SUPT students at Laughlin?** Work hard and play hard.



U.S. Air Force photo of a KC-135

## The *XL*er

**Hometown:** Carbondale, Ill.

**Time at Laughlin:** 1 1/2 years.

**Time in service:** 2 years.

**Name one way to improve life at**

**Laughlin:** Give the airmen in the dorms ovens and BAS.

**Greatest accomplishment:** My baby girl.

**Bad habit:** I’m too quiet.

**Motto:** “’Tis better to be silent and be thought a fool, than to speak and remove all doubt.” – Mark Twain

**Favorite beverage:** Vodka.

**Favorite food:** Italian.

**Hobbies:** Music and sports.

**If you could spend one hour with any historical or contemporary figure,**

**who would it be and why?** Chino

Moreno from the Deftones. They put on the best live show of any band in history.

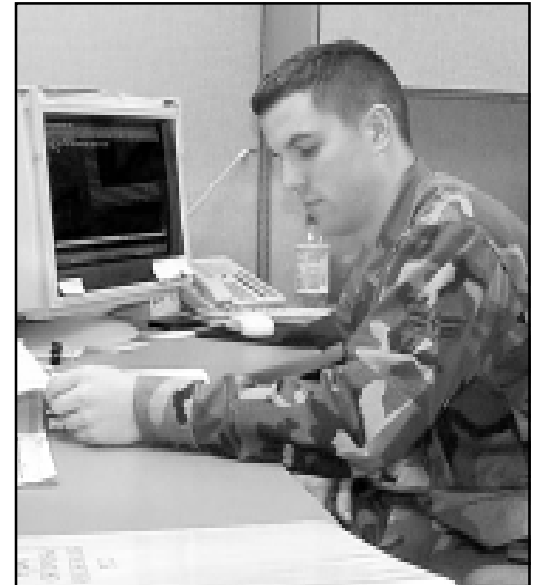


Photo by 2nd Lt. Kris Wood

**Airman 1st Class Ben Smith**  
47th Comptroller Flight

# Filler

**'New Year,' from  
page 2**

While recruiting is vital, retention is even more important. We must take better care of our dedicated men and women, and we are headed in the right direction.

For months, we've been working issues in technical training – a huge undertaking stemming from the sheer magnitude of our mission. After more than 40,000 active duty and reserve component recruits completed basic military training this year, the majority attended one or more of 1,500 technical training courses before proceeding to their first assignment.

Last spring the command took delivery of the first T-6A Texan II, the flying element of the Joint Primary Aircrew Training System. The new aircraft will eventually replace the T-37 primary training system and uses the newest aviation technology so we can conduct safer and more efficient training. These upgrades will ensure we continue to do great things with the aircraft in the coming years.

Looking ahead to the new year, I just kicked off a command initiative that I believe has great potential to enhance the quality of life for all our people.

I intend for every office and shop to examine the support they provide with a view to our customers, our people and their families. I want us to take a hard look at our responsiveness, timeliness and empathy in dealing with issues of military life. These include pay allowances, assignments, housing, moving, personnel appraisals, medical care and others.

It's an exciting time for AETC. Thanks for your spectacular performance in 2000 and we look forward to an even better 2001.

**Please recycle this newspaper...**

# MSS edges EAST 12-7 in playoff football game

By Airman 1st Class Brad Pettit  
Editor

Following a slow start and scoreless first half, the 47th Mission Support Squadron gathered its offensive wits and marched to a 13-7 victory over EAST in an intramural football game at the base football field Wednesday.

Navarro Gaston led the way for MSS, scoring two touchdowns, grabbing two interceptions and totalling 109 reception and rushing yards.

During the first half, MSS and EAST showcased their defensive talents as both quarterbacks successfully completed passes to members of the opposite teams. Gaston intercepted two and Adam Lewis took

down one for MSS. EAST finished the half by picking off a Chance Roden pass, killing a promising drive.

In the second half, the presence of the teams' offenses became more apparent. Starting at the MSS 20, Roden completed several sideline passes to Gaston, taking MSS to the two yard line. There, Gaston, positioned at guard, took the snap and ran it in himself, putting 6 points on the board. Keith Baber tacked on the extra point to bring the score to 7-0.

EAST answered quickly. Following a 20 yard kickoff return, quarterback Adam English, who is known for his quick feet and scrambling ability, ran the ball to the MSS 25 yard line. Two receptions advanced EAST to the 3 yard line. On fourth down,

English rolled out and hit Rene Sanchez for paydirt. EAST then tacked on the extra point to tie it at 7.

MSS took possession with 2 minutes left. Roden quickly dumped a pass to Gaston who ran it into EAST territory. After a couple more short passes, Gaston ran the ball in from the 2 yard line to up the score to 13-7. That proved to be the final blow to the EAST team, as Gaston picked off a long pass attempt before time expired.

The winners of Thursday's matchups are scheduled to compete for the championship at the base football field Saturday. The time has not been determined and is subject to change. For more information, call 5251.

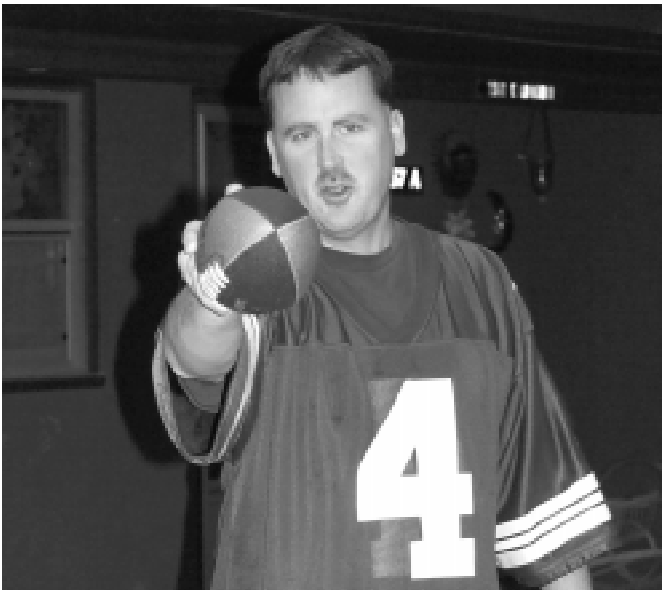
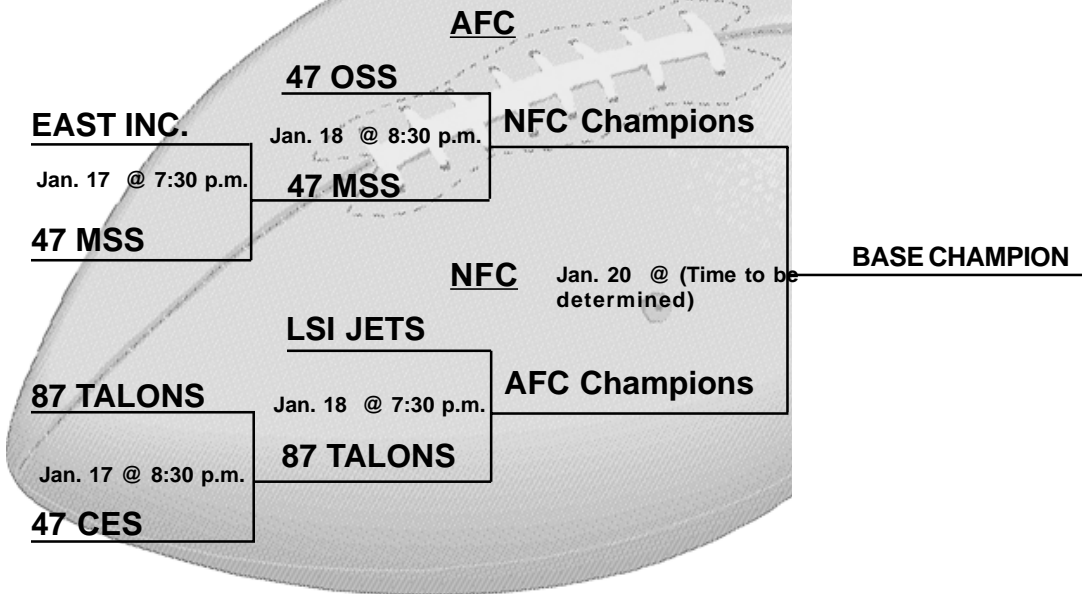


Photo by Staff Sgt. Reginal Woodruff

## "I am football"

Tech. Sgt. Eric Linneman, 47th Security Forces Squadron, is the winner of the 2000-2001 Gridiron Guru competition. Linneman picked more than 75 percent of the NFL games correctly, including accurately predicting 5 of 8 games in the first and second rounds of the playoffs.

## 2000-2001 Flag Football Playoffs



### Basketball players wanted

The intramural basketball season begins Monday. For more information, call Staff Sgt. John Fastinger at 5326.

### Attention shooters:

Anyone interested in shooting trap and skeet for leagues call Doug Peckham at 5326.



## Laughlin history

Q: In 1978, the wing constructed a simulator building (Bldg 320) capable of housing the T-37 and T-38 simulators and phased out the old link trainers. The new simulators used terrain modeling boards which consumed a lot of energy, were expensive to maintain and, as they aged, were hard to find parts for. Laughlin became the first base in ATC to receive the computer-generated imagery system that replaced the boards. What year did this occur?

- (a) 1986
- (b) 1980
- (c) 1989

The correct answer is...(a).

## TAP seminar

A Transition Assistance Program seminar is scheduled for Tuesday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Club XL.

To make an appointment, or for more information, call 5620.

## Supply block training

Supply block training for January will be conducted on the dates and times listed below. If you have personnel who need to attend, call Steve Rosalez at 4225. Seating is limited, so call early.

**Block IIA:** Bench stock management Monday, 9-11 a.m.

**Block III:** Equipment management, Wednesday, 9-11 a.m.

**Block IIB:** Repair cycle management, Thursday, 9-10 a.m.

## Trash pick up

Military family housing and mobile home park residents: The method of surveillance for refuse and recycling pick up in your area is customer complaint.

Branches, leaves or grass clippings are picked up from the curbside the first and third Mondays of each month by the grounds contractor.

The next compost pick up will be Feb. 5

For more information, call Patricia Lunn at 298-5247.



## Hard at work

(From left) Capt. Anthony Holmes, 47th Transportation Division, and Capt. Derek Sherrill, 47th Flying Training Wing legal office, go over some plans for a Valentine's Day project being put on by the Company Grade Officer's Council.

The CGOC will be selling flowers next week for delivery on Valentine's Day. Orders will be taken Jan. 24, 25 and 26 from 9 a.m.-noon in the OTC lobby and at the base exchange.

Wrapped single roses with baby's breath, greenery and a personalized message will be sold for \$7 and carnations will be \$5.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Melissa Parent at 4357.

## Commissary hours

The base commissary will start operating on a new schedule Feb. 6. The new hours are:

Sunday – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday – Closed.

Tuesday – 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Wednesday – 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday – 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Friday – 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday – 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

## Civilian call

The Civilian Personnel Flight will be conducting a Civilian Call for all civil service employees at the OTC Auditorium Jan. 30. Sessions will begin at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Supervisors are highly encouraged to make every effort to allow their employees to attend.

For more information, call Patty Fleming at 5015.

## Environmental facts

Containers of hazardous materials in the work place must be clearly labeled with the product identity, manufacturer's name, phone number, address, and any hazard warnings.

Hazardous materials, as distinguished from hazardous waste, are usable products that may pose a

physical threat to humans and/or the environment.

Such materials include flammables, combustibles, acids, caustics, oxidizers, or compressed gases.

## Recipe book

The Officers' Spouses' Club is collecting recipes for a cookbook. Send recipes to Elizabeth Selkey by email at ECVCPASJR@msn.com. The deadline is Feb. 15.

For those interested in buying a cookbook or have any questions, call 298-7666.

## Thrift Shop reopens

The base Thrift Shop will have a grand reopening Feb. 2 at 8:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

Consignments will be taken from 9 a.m. until noon.

All proceeds from the Thrift Shop go to scholarships in the community.

For more information on the event or to become a Thrift Shop volunteer, call Amy King at 3731.

## Legion meeting

The Del Rio/Laughlin American Legion Post 298 will hold its regular meeting Jan. 31 at 6:30 p.m. at "The Barn" across from Laughlin's Main Gate. Members are asked to bring

this years dues.

For more information on this meeting, call Commander Murry Kachel at 298-2097.

## 5K run

The Fitness Center is hosting a New Years Resolution 5K walk/run Thursday. The sign up begin at football/soccer complex parking lot at 11:30 a.m. The run begins at Noon.

For more information, call 5251.

## CPR in Spanish

The American Red Cross will be offering a six hour CPR class in Spanish Feb. 3. The class is intended to train people to act in emergency situations, and to recognize and care for life-threatening emergencies such as respiratory or cardiac problems, sudden illness or injuries to infants, children or adults.

The program meets child care requirements. Students must be able to pass written quizzes and pass a skill check to receive a CPR card.

The course will be held at the Eagle Room at 1926 Bedell Ave. beginning at 8:30 a.m. Call the ARC office at 775-8626 to sign up. The cost of the course is \$25. The class is limited to ten students.